

## *Computer and Related Services – 2007 Liberalization Measures*

### **1. What benefits will be brought to the information technology industry by the new liberalization measures?**

By virtue of the further liberalization measures under Supplement IV to the CEPA, Hong Kong service suppliers (HKSS) are allowed to set up wholly-owned enterprises in the Mainland to provide software implementation services and data processing services.

### **2. By virtue of the further liberalization measures under Supplement IV to the CEPA, Hong Kong service suppliers (HKSS) are allowed to set up wholly-owned enterprises in the Mainland to provide software implementation services. What is the scope of business for software implementation services?**

According to CPC, United Nations Provisional Central Product Classification, software implementation services refer to all the services involving consultancy services on, development and implementation of software. The term "software" may be defined as the sets of instructions required to make computers work and communicate. A number of different programmes may be developed for specific applications (application software), and the customer may have a choice of using ready made programmes off the shelf (packaged software), developing specific programmes for particular requirements (customized software) or using a combination of the two.

The software implementation services are divided into the following classes of services-

- systems and software consulting services;
- systems analysis services;
- systems design services;
- programming services; and
- systems maintenance services.

### **3. By virtue of the further liberalization measures under Supplement IV to the CEPA, Hong Kong service suppliers (HKSS) are allowed to set up wholly-owned enterprises in the Mainland to provide data processing services. What is the**

## **scope of business for data processing services?**

According to CPC, United Nations Provisional Central Product Classification, data processing services are divided into the following classes of services-

- input preparation services;
- data-processing and tabulation services;
- time-sharing services; and
- other data processing services.